

- Only portable stands are allowed from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address or Conservation number of the owner and be removed from the area by February 1st. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and blinds are permitted but must be disassembled and removed daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with special use permit. Contact area manager.

### **Nearby Conservation Areas**

Shoemaker Conservation Area Dark Hollow Natural Area Mineral Hills Conservation Area Rebel's Cove Conservation Area Locust Creek Conservation Area

#### For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation 3500 S. Baltimore Kirksville, MO 63501 (660) 785-2420

Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

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# Union Ridge

# **CONSERVATION AREA**



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

# **Recreational Opportunities**

Wildlife Viewing – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting – Outdoor Photography

Conservation Areas are closed from 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing, and hunting activities. Parking or storing watercraft or commercial vehicles on department areas during closed hours is prohibited.

- Groups or special activities may require a Special Use Permit. Contact Area Manager for further information.
- Guiding for pay is prohibited.
- Use of fireworks is prohibited.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption. Digging of roots is prohibited.
- On natural areas, taking of wild greens is prohibited.
- No bicycling opportunities except on public roadways.
- No horseback riding opportunities except on public roadways or by special use permit.
- Vehicles are only permitted on public roadways and in parking lots.
- Camping is allowed on or adjacent to all area parking lots. No unattended open campfires allowed. No amenities are provided. Groups of 10 campers or more must obtain a special use permit. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30day period. Quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.



- Walk-in/backpack camping is allowed EXCEPT during firearms deer and turkey seasons. No amenities are provided.
- Field trials prohibited.
- Pets and hunting dogs are permitted but must be on a leash or confined at all times. Hunting dogs may be used off the leash and unconfined for hunting and training purposes. Hunting permit required to train dogs in pursuit of wildlife.
- Target shooting is not allowed.

# Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Gig, longbow, or atlatl may be used for carp, buffalo, suckers, and gar in streams during statewide seasons.
- On lakes and ponds fish may be taken only with pole and line and not more than three
  (3) poles may be used by one (1) person at any time.
- Daily and possession limits are:

	Daily	Possession
Largemouth Bass	6	12
Channel Catfish	4	20
Crappie	30	60
All other fish		
Combined	20	

- All largemouth bass between 12 and 15 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited in lakes and ponds.
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- Only electric motors are permitted on lakes and ponds.



# **Hunting and Trapping**

Area is open to statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Pamphlets for current regulations.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.